

Amend the Specification as follows:

On page 5, the first full paragraph has been amended as follows:

A plurality of threaded holes 10 which extend transversely to the plane of the plate-like microcomponent 1 and are each intended for the accommodation of a screw connection 10a, through which liquid or gaseous substances are fed to or discharged from the microcomponent 1 via fluid lines 10b, are provided in one side wall 9 of the insertion slot 4. After insertion of the microcomponent 1 into the insertion slot 4, the screw connections are screwed against the microcomponent 1 and thus pressed against connections 11 in the outside 1a of the plate-like microcomponent in a lead-proof manner.